

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

June 15-16, 1977

Wednesday, June 15, 1977

Present: Commissioner James M. McKay, President
Commissioner Ford L. Dean
Commissioner J. Patrick Jarboe
Commissioner Larry Millison
Commissioner John K. Parlett
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of June 8-9, 1977 were read and corrected. Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

ENCUMBRANCE VOUCHERS

Present: Harris Sterling, Director of Finance

Mr. Sterling presented the encumbrance vouchers for the Commissioners' review and approval. Commissioner Jarboe made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dean to approve payment of the bills, as submitted. All Commissioners voted in favor.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

Present: Otis Wood, Director, Emergency Operations Center

Mr. Wood appeared before the Commissioners to give a status report on various projects of his office; that the mini-module has been installed and is operating and that the helipad has been completed.

DERELICT BOAT REMOVAL PROGRAM

Present: Otis Wood, Director, Emergency Operations Center

Mr. Wood advised the Commissioners that many more abandoned boats are being found than had been anticipated and therefore, requested an additional \$600 for inspection in order to complete this project. The County Administrator was directed to handle this matter with temporary help.

COMMUNICATIONS CLERK - EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

Present: Otis Wood, Director, Emergency Operations Center

Mr. Wood stated that because of the increase in number of calls coming into the Control Center, he was requesting authorization to hire an additional Communications Clerk for the 1:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. shift. After discussion, Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to authorize the advertisement for an additional Communications Clerk and that Mr. Wood should work with the Personnel Officer to insure that the Affirmative Action Plan is taken into consideration and further, that if possible this position be filled under the CETA Program, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

ROAD RESOLUTIONS

On behalf of the County Engineer, the County Administrator presented the following Road Resolutions for the Commissioners' review and approval:

Road Resolution No. 77-33 - designating the following streets located in the Patuxent Park Subdivision as Stop Streets:

Yorktown Road at its intersection with Midway Drive;
Gambier Place at its intersection with Midway Drive;
Princetown Drive at its intersection with Midway Drive;
Bunker Hill Drive at its intersection with Midway Drive;
Kearsarge Place at its intersection with Yorktown Road;
Suwanne Place at its intersection with Yorktown Road;
Cabot Place at its intersection with Yorktown Road;
Saint Lo Place at its intersection with Yorktown Road;
Enterprise Road at its intersection with Midway Drive and Essex Drive;
Ranger Road at its intersection with Midway Drive and Essex Drive.

Road Resolution No. 77-34 - setting the speed limit on Sunnyside Road at 40 miles per hour;

Road Resolution No. 77-35 - setting the speed limit on Barefoot Acres Subdivision at 25 miles per hour.

Commissioner Dean made a motion to adopt the above-referenced Road Resolutions, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

(Commissioner Millison left the meeting at this time.)

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM
NEW ENTRANCE TO HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOME

On behalf of the County Engineer, the County Administrator presented the Expression of Interest in a Highway Safety Project for the construction of an access road from Maryland Route 245 to St. Mary's Hospital and the Nursing Home, in order to eliminate the safety hazard at the intersection of the existing entrance with Maryland Route 5.

Commissioner Parlett made a motion to approve the Expression of Interest form and authorize Commissioner President McKay to sign same, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

(Commissioner Millison returned to the meeting at this time.)

TRAINING AGREEMENT - COMMISSION ON AGING

On behalf of the Executive Secretary, Commission on Aging, the County Administrator presented the Training Agreement between Charles County Community College and St. Mary's Commission on Aging. Commissioner Dean made a motion to authorize Commissioner President McKay to sign said Training Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners voted in favor.

ECONOMIC IMPACT FEE AGREEMENT
BURNING OAKS SUBDIVISION (SECTION I)

The County Administrator presented the Economic Impact Fee Agreement by and between Burning Oaks Limited Partnership and the Board of County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, setting forth the method of payment of the Economic Impact Fee for 12 lots in Section One in the Burning Oaks Subdivision.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to approve the Economic Impact Fee Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

MAINTENANCE DREDGING PERMIT - STEUART INVESTMENT COMPANY

Correspondence dated June 13, 1977 was received from the Office of Land Use and Development requesting the Commissioners' approval for the issuance of a maintenance dredging permit for Steuart Investment Company.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion that the Commissioners approve the dredging permit, as amended by the Army Corps of Engineers, seconded by Commissioner Millison. All Commissioners voted in favor.

EDC MEMBER ON ST. MARY'S CITY COMMISSION

Commissioner Dean made a motion to appoint Mr. Alex Schust as the EDC's representative on the St. Mary's City Commission, as an ex-officio member, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners voted in favor.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Airport Committee - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to reappoint George Sullivan and Joseph L. Dunn to the Airport Committee for terms to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Commission for Women - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to reappoint Eloise Pickrell to the Commission for Women for a term to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Economic Development Committee - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to reappoint James T. Marsh and Mrs. Robert Lindsley to the Economic Development Committee for terms to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Environmental Committee - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to reappoint Walter Raum, Oran Wilkerson, Tucker Brown, William A. Locker, Jr., Jerome Swann, and Florence Ballangee to the Environmental Committee for terms to expire June 30, 1978, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Mental Health Advisory Committee - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to reappoint Dr. Richard Martin, Mrs. Elizabeth Sally Raley, and Mrs. Delores Fleming to the Mental Health Advisory Committee, for terms to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Nursing Home Board - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to appoint Mr. Sean Bishop and Mr. Abell Longmore, Jr. to the Nursing Home Board for terms to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Plumbing Board - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to reappoint B. I. Mattingly to the Plumbing Board for a term to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Recreation and Parks Board - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to appoint Leslie Vandivere to the Recreation and Parks Board for a term to expire January 1, 1978, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Social Services Board - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to appoint Eric Bromley, Delores Hill, and James Neal to the Social Services Board, for terms to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Tri-County Community Action Committee - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to reappoint Mr. Michael Luginbill to the Tri-County Community Action Committee, for a term to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Tri-County Group Home Board - Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to reappoint Mrs. Doris Bracken to the Tri-County Group Home Board, for a term to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

CETA PROGRAM

The County Administrator advised the Commissioners that Mr. Fresco, Personnel Officer, was in Baltimore today to firm up the latest CETA Program, and that with this new program there will be a total of 159 CETA positions in the County.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY - BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

The County Administrator stated to the Commissioners that under the CETA Program there is a \$10,000 ceiling on salaries for employees under this program; however, in order to afford the above-referenced employee the same opportunity for a yearly increment as other county employees, Mr. Cox recommended that an additional \$64 be funded through the end of this fiscal year, since this employee has reached the \$10,000 maximum allowance.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to authorize supplemental county funds in the amount of \$64 for the remainder of this fiscal year to allow for increment for this CETA position, with the understanding that all other cases come before the Commissioners for consideration, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. Four Commissioners voted in favor, with Commissioner Millison voting against.

ST. MARY'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SPECIAL EDUCATION

Present: Dr. Robert King, Superintendent of Schools
Josh Potter, Special Education
Bill Coviello, Division of Special Education, Maryland
State Department of Education

The above-referenced individuals appeared before the Commissioners to explain Public Law 94142 which sets forth requirements and restrictions for Special Education Programs for handicapped children. Mr. Coviello explained to the Commissioners certain new guidelines which will probably have a fiscal impact upon the local jurisdictions throughout the State of Maryland.

The Commissioners stated that they were proud of the services presently being rendered to students in special education and pledged their firm commitment to meeting all guidelines for the provision of educational services to the students enrolled in Special Education in St. Mary's County.

PRESS CONFERENCE

Present: Jack Kershaw, Enterprise
Sunny Schust, Enterprise
Mike Klienbeck, Beacon
Paula Smith, WPTX
Dick Myers, WKIK

The regular semi-monthly press conference was held at this time. A tape of the conference is on file in the Commissioners Office.

TECHNICAL CENTER INTERCEPTOR
METROPOLITAN COMMISSION

Present: Mike Marlay, Director, Metropolitan Commission
Bruce Faunstock, Metropolitan Commission

The above-referenced individuals from the Metropolitan Commission presented to the Commissioners the bid tabulation sheet for the above-referenced project and requested approval by the Board for the awarding of the contract to the lowest bidder, which was Southern Maryland General Contractors, Inc., and since the bid received was more than the engineering estimate, they also requested support from the County for a contingent amount if the State will not amend the original grant to allow for the cost overruns.

Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to accept the Metropolitan Commission's recommendation and award the contract to Southern Maryland General Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$248,109 and further to pledge the County's financial support, if necessary, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners voted in favor.

The meeting recessed at 12:20 p.m.

Thursday, June 16, 1977

Present: Commissioner James M. McKay, President
Commissioner Ford L. Dean
Commissioner J. Patrick Jarboe
Commissioner John K. Parlett
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Judith A. Mullins, Recording Secretary

(Commissioner Millison was not present.)

The meeting reconvened at 8:55 a.m.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT ANNUAL REVIEW

Present: Joe O'Dell, Budget Officer

Mr. O'Dell reviewed with the Commissioners the Capital Improvement Fund Account and cited the status of each account. After discussion, Mr. O'Dell recommended that he be allowed to close out all accounts which have funds remaining (Column 1) and transfer these funds to projects listed in column 4. Commissioner Parlett made a motion to grant this authorization, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

BITUMINOUS CONCRETE OVERLAY PROJECTS

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris presented the bid tabulation sheet for the overlay of various roads in Town Creek, Hermanville Road, and Cedar Lane. After discussion, Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to accept the County Engineer's recommendation and award the contract to B. F. Asher in the amount of \$464,097.50, seconded by Commissioner Dean. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT

GUNSTON DRIVE AND CHESTNUT ROAD IMPROVEMENT

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

The County Engineer presented a letter from the Attorney for A. Leola Dean and the Town Creek Water Company regarding the above-referenced project and listing certain conditions.

After discussion, Commissioner Parlett made a motion that the County will quit-claim their interest in that land that is being abandoned as part of the old road right-of-way, so long as it is fronted by the A. Leola Dean or the Town Creek Water Company, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

JANET LANE

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris stated that a proposal was received from B. A. Garner in the amount of \$3,250 for the grading, topsoiling, and seeding of shoulders of Janet Lane. Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to accept this proposal, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT
TRAFFIC COUNTER FOR ST. MARY'S COUNTY

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris presented the Highway Safety Project Agreement indicating acceptance of the grant for a traffic counter for St. Mary's County; total value of the project in the amount of \$4,000. After discussion, Commissioner Parlett made a motion to authorize Commissioner President McKay to sign said agreement, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

EMS TOWER TRANSMITTER BUILDING

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris requested authorization from the Commissioners to amend their previous decision on May 25, 1977 to approve \$500 for architectural services for the preparation of all bid documents for the above-referenced project and instead approve an amount of \$985. Commissioner Jarboe made a motion to amend the authorization from \$500 to \$985, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

PITCH-IN PROGRAM

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris recommended that because of the increased trash deposits at the Pitch-In containers, that the collection service be increased to twice a week service, for service areas A and B from July 1, to the middle September at a cost of \$657.50.

Commissioner Parlett made a motion to accept the County Engineer's recommendation to increase pick up services to twice a week and authorize the Budget Officer to make the appropriate transfer, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

SPACE PLANNING FOR COURTHOUSE

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris displayed the plans for the Courthouse as they presently exist and proposed plans for the time when the County offices will be moving from the Courthouse to Leonard Hall. The Commissioners gave Mr. Norris preliminary approval of the proposed space useage plan for the Courthouse, and approved that he solicit proposals from architects to prepare preliminary plans for the Courthouse.

CID UNIT

Present: George Sparling, State's Attorney
Sheriff Somerville
Lt. Muchow, Maryland State Police
Lt. Pellillo, Sheriff's Department

The above individuals appeared before the Commissioners to discuss the proposed CID Unit relative to a Memorandum of Agreement citing the conditions and procedures for implementation of same. Lt. Muchow indicated that Col. Smith has approved the CID Unit concept and is in the process of signing and returning the Memorandum of Agreement. The Commissioners indicated their concurrence with the Memorandum of Agreement. Sheriff Somerville, however, expressed reservations, not with the CID Unit concept, but with its implementation in that the Sheriff's Department was being requested to assign three deputies to the unit causing overall loss of manpower which he explained by way of a chart. The chart summarized the gains and losses of man hours according to various functions and conditions.

The State's Attorney expressed general agreement with Sheriff Somerville's assessment of manpower loss and stated that the unit can be initiated in phases; specifically that the Sheriff can assign one man at the current time and prior to the assignment of the additional two deputies a more thorough analysis of the Sheriff's Department functions and assignment of personnel should take place. The Commissioners concurred with the State's Attorney's suggestion and indicated to Sheriff Somerville that they would appreciate his committing to writing his reservations so that they could be studied in greater detail, after which time they would make a decision as to personnel needs, contingent upon several factors such as the obtaining of District Court constables, the awarding of two deputies via State Transportation Grant, and the provision of two deputy trainees via the CETA Program. Sheriff Somerville agreed to provide the requested information in writing.

CID UNIT cont.

The Commissioners congratulated the principals who have been working to develop the implementation of the CID Unit and expressed strong hope that the unit can be initiated as soon as possible.

After discussion, Commissioner Dean made a motion to authorize Commissioner President McKay to sign the Memorandum of Agreement setting up the joint CID Unit between the Maryland State Police, Sheriff's Department and State's Attorney, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

WHIRLWIND ROAD

Present: John Norris, County Engineer

Mr. Norris stated he wanted to make the Commissioners aware of the fact that Whirlwind Road is being subjected to heavy construction traffic because of the rerouting of traffic off of Route 244 due to the weight restriction on the bridge.

The Commissioners requested that a determination be made from the State Highway Administration as to the timeframe for the completion of the bridge design plans and construction. In addition, Mr. Norris stated he would contact SHA to determine that because of the rerouting of traffic, if they would be willing to participate in the repairing of Whirlwind Road.

LEASE FOR REGIONAL LIBRARY AT CHARLOTTE HALL

Present: F. Elliott Burch, Sr.

Mr. Burch, representing the Board of Trustees for Charlotte Hall School, presented a proposed lease agreement for the County Commissioners' review and approval relative to the renovation of the old school hall for use as a regional library center by the State of Maryland. The Commissioners reviewed the Agreement, and after some discussion, with Mr. Burch, the Commissioners indicated that the agreement must be reviewed by the County Attorney and the Commissioners will try to have this review completed by Wednesday, June 22, at which time the Commissioners would render a decision.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

PLUMBING BOARD

MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Commissioner Dean made a motion to reappoint George Hall to the Plumbing Board for a term to expire June 30, 1980 and further to reappoint Ken Sola to the Mental Health Advisory Board for a term to expire June 30, 1980, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

SAYSF CHAPEL

The County Administrator presented correspondence from SAYSF Chapel requesting a waiver of the building permit fee for the addition of their chapel. Inasmuch as the church complies with the County's Resolution No. 75-53, Commissioner Dean made a motion to grant the building permit fee waiver, seconded by Commissioner Parlett. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS IMPROVEMENT ACT FUNDS

The Commissioners agreed to sign and forward correspondence to the U. S. Congressional Delegation concerning St. Mary's County's eligibility for funding under the Public Works Improvement Act, Phase II.

GRANT APPLICATION FOR CETA FUNDS
BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS

Commissioner Dean made a motion to authorize Commissioner President McKay to sign the grant application to Economic and Community Development for CETA funds for the beautification project for the Bicentennial Commission, seconded by Commissioner Jarboe. All Commissioners present voted in favor.

LETTER TO CITIZENS OF THE YEAR 2076


The Commissioners agreed to sign a letter addressed to the Citizens of the Year 2076, which will be placed in a time capsule by the Bicentennial Commission to be opened at that time.

COMMISSION ON AGING - OAKLEY HALL

Commissioner Parlett advised the Commissioners that the Commission on Aging participants are using the Oakley Hall for a nutrition site and one of the steps is in need of repair. The Commissioners directed that Paul Raley, Director Purchasing and Logistics have the necessary repairs done.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

APPROVED BY,


James M. McKay, President
County Commissioners